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FOR: GAS TURBINE COMBUSTOR :

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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SIR:

This application is a divisional application of the parent application Serial No.  
10/124,413, filed on April 18, 2002.

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as  
follows:

**Amendments to the claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper